Addressing Barriers to Renewable Energy Procurement

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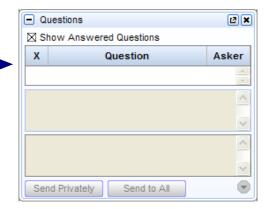
Today's Agenda

- Introduction and Webinar Logistics
 - Blaine Collison, GPP Director
- Addressing Barriers to Renewable Energy Procurement
 - Charles Esdaile, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, Altenex
 - Ken Davies, Vice President, Altenex
- Questions & Answers



Webinar Logistics

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U.S. EPA's Green Power Partnership

- The GPP is a voluntary program that supports the organizational procurement of green power by offering expert advice, technical support, tools and resources.
- Partners agree to procure green power and provide annual update
- In return, EPA commits to:
 - Provide public recognition
 - Provide procurement and communications assistance, as requested
 - Provide a brief description of the Partner's green power commitment on the Green Power Partnership Web site
- Currently, over 1,300 Partners in the program using more than 23 billion kWh of green power annually, equivalent to the annual CO2 emissions from electricity use of more than two million average American homes.



EPA's 1,300+ Green Power Partners































































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Partnership Offerings & Benefits

Credible Benchmarks

- Metric for "How much green power is enough?"
- Definition of eligible renewables

Planning & Implementation Resources

- Green power locator
- Procurement guidance
- Marketing and communications support
- Environmental benefits calculator

Recognition

- Top Partner Lists
- Green Power Leadership Awards
- Promotional opportunities
- Use of the Partner logo →















What is Green Power?

- Green power is an "environmentally-differentiated" electricity product from:
 - solar

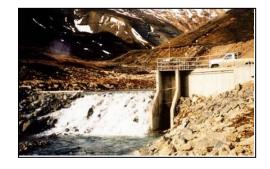
wind

- geothermalbiomass

- biogas
- small hydro













Green Power Procurement Options

On-site Generation

- Install a renewable energy system on-site (e.g. solar panels, wind turbine)
- Produces both electricity and RECs from the on-site source
- Self-financed installation or via a third-party PPA

Green Power Electricity Products

- Green power offered by utility suppliers that is generated from renewable sources
- Is often a "bundled" product that includes both the RECs as well as the underlying electrons

Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs)

- The environmental "attributes" of electricity generated from renewable resources (1 REC = 1 MWh)
- Attributes are based on the generation technology type and age, geographic location, and time of generation
- Does not include the underlying electrons "unbundled"
- a.k.a. Green Tags, Renewable Energy Credits, and Tradeable Renewable Energy Certificates







Value Proposition of Green Power

- Environmental
 - Addresses indirect GHG emissions (Scope 2 emissions)
- Potential Electricity Cost Savings and/or Stability
 - Reduce exposure to fossil fuel price volatility
- Economic Development
 - Job creation
 - Local/regional economic growth
- Corporate Image
 - Enhance image
 - Demonstrate environmental leadership
 - Differentiate products/services
 - Improve employee moral
- Capture Favorable Media Attention

"Purchasing green power helps our organization become more sustainable while also sending a message to others that supporting clean sources of electricity is a sound business decision and an important choice to help fight climate change." - Jodi Shapiro, vice president, Environment, Health and Safety, Motorola.



GPP News

- Green Power Partnership LinkedIn group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=4375385
- The Green Power Leadership Awards will be presented at the Renewable Energy Markets Conference, Sept. 23-25 in Washington, DC. Conference registration details:

http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/events/conference.htm



Want to Know More?

- Basic Information
 - To learn more please visit: www.epa.gov/greenpower
- Today's presentations have been posted online at: http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/events/19sept12_webinar.htm
- Presentations of previous GPP webinars are available online, including:
 - Community Choice Aggregation: Leveraging a Collective Procurement Model to Drive New Renewable Energy Generation (March 2012)
 - Long Term Green Power Contracts (Oct. 2011)
- More Questions?
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